

In re Appln. of CHANG et al.
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and

extracting the plasticizer from the positive plate and the negative plate.

24. (Amended) The method of claim 23 wherein applying the positive active material slurry to the positive collector comprises directly applying the slurry to the positive collector.

25. (Amended) The method according to claim 23 including applying the positive active material slurry to the positive collector by forming sheets of the positive active material slurry and applying the sheets of the positive active material slurry to the positive collector.

26. (Amended) The method of claim 23 wherein applying the negative active material slurry to the negative collector comprises directly applying the slurry to the negative collector.

27. (Amended) The method according to claim 23 including applying the negative active material slurry to the negative collector by forming sheets of the negative active material slurry and applying the sheets of the negative active material slurry to the negative collector.

28. (Amended) The method according to claim 23 wherein the binder is polyvinylidene fluoride.

29. (Amended) The method of claim 23 wherein the first and second solvents are chosen from the group consisting of N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone and acetone.

30. (Amended) A lithium polymer battery made by the method of claim 23.

31. (Amended) A lithium polymer battery made by the method of claim 24.

32. (Amended) A lithium polymer battery made by the method of claim 25.

33. (Amended) A lithium polymer battery made by the method of claim 26.

34. (Amended) A lithium polymer battery made by the method of claim 27.